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WASHINGTON (UPI) -- A HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE THURSDAY PUT OFF UNTIL NEXT WEEK A VOTE ON WHETHER TO OVERRULE PRESIDENT REAGAN AND DEMAND THAT THE CIA PRODUCE REPORTS ON THE EXTENT OF ARAB INVESTMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES.

REP. BENJAMIN ROSENTHAL, D-N.Y., CHAIRMAN OF THE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON MONETARY AFFAIRS, SCHEDULED ANOTHER SESSION NEXT WEDNESDAY ON THE MATTER.

ROSENTHAL LAST WEEK INTRODUCED A RESOLUTION IN THE SUBCOMMITTEE ASKING THE FULL HOUSE TO AUTHORIZE A FULLER PUBLICATION OF CLASSIFIED CIA DOCUMENTS DETAILING THE AMERICAN INVESTMENTS OF ARAB NATIONS IN THE ORGANIZATION OF PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES.

ARAB INVESTMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED AT BETWEEN \$65 BILLION AND \$200 BILLION OR MORE.

THE CIA HAS RELEASED SOME INFORMATION, BUT ROSENTHAL SAID THERE WERE TOO MANY DELETIONS AND PROTESTED TO AGENCY DIRECTOR WILLIAM CASEY. CASEY REPLIED A MORE COMPLETE RELEASE OF THE ANALYSES WOULD COMPROMISE INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS.

ROSENTHAL WROTE REAGAN IN FEBRUARY STATING THE CIA IS BELIEVED TO HAVE PRODUCED THE BEST ESTIMATES ON ARAB INVESTMENTS AND SUGGESTING THAT THOSE FIGURES BE MADE PUBLIC. THE PRESIDENT AFFIRMED CASEY'S STAND AND SAID POTENTIAL DAMAGE "OUTWEIGHS ANY PUBLIC INTEREST SERVED BY DISCLOSURE."

IF THE SUBCOMMITTEE APPROVES ROSENTHAL'S RESOLUTION NEXT WEEK, IT WILL GO TO THE HOUSE FLOOR FOR A FULL VOTE.

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